

Comprehensive Examination of
Educational Technology Leadership Internship

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Position Goal

In the course of this program, I have had a lot of time to think about where my future is going and what exactly I want to do with it. I have enjoyed some aspects of the program quite a bit more than others and that has led me to see a variety of different options that are open to me. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching the other teachers how to use the technology available and how to implement it into their classrooms. I hope that in my near future, I am able to use this passion and the knowledge I have gained to perhaps be an instructional technologist in my district. I also thoroughly enjoyed desktop publishing and the being able to create things to use in the classroom such as games and interactive learning tools. This shapes my future vision. My hope is that in the future, I will be able to take all certifications I need to teach High School desktop publishing or perhaps be able to teach future teachers while they are in college.

Leadership Goal

I have a built in desire to teach others and show them the knowledge that I have gained thus far. This is why I became a teacher. I enjoy seeing the moment when a student finally gets it or when they get excited about learning because I have imparted that excitement on them. I enjoy creating excitement and leading that excitement. This passion I have for teaching extends to my desire to be an educational technology leader. I have a desire to create the same excitement I have for learning new technology in other teachers. I want to show them how hard it isn't and what a great tool it is to use in the classroom. I can imagine how exciting it would be for teachers that have not grown up in the technological era, to teach using technology and really apply it to their every day teaching experience. What a great learning environment I could help create if teachers could catch on to the excitement and see the benefits in their classrooms.

I get personal satisfaction out of seeing others succeed and helping them. I know this is the reason why I will enjoy being an Educational Technology Leader. I love to learn new technology and cannot wait to extend that to my fellow teachers. To see them take off in the advanced direction and no longer be confused, frustrated, and lost in regards to technology would be an accomplishment personally and professionally.

Final Report

The Final Report should encompass your total internship experience. Components should include the following:

- Your vision of educational technology using the most current Horizon K-12 Report as a resource (15 points). This section of your comprehensive exam should follow your introduction goal statement (15 points), and educational technology leadership goals (15 points). (Week 2 or designated date as stated by your instructor.)
- Using Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th Ed., October 2009, p. 41-59, prepare the vision paper for the next section of your comprehensive examination paper (5 points).